A Unique Opportunity

Not, perhaps, in years will the people of El Paso and the southwest have another opportunity to hear grand opera adequately presented, such as they will have Saturday of this week. No one need be in the slightest doubt about the intrinsic merit of the performances. Competent musical critics who have seen and heard the Boston Grand Opera company within the last few weeks declare that the operas are given by this company in a manner that is, not surpassed for excellence in any opera house in the world.

In every way-musically, scenically, dramaticallythe company as a whole, and all its principals, are superior. The casts are perfectly balanced, the dramatic qualities of the operatic parts are splendidly evoked, and the special scenery and scenic effects are wholly satisfying. The orchestra is large, highly trained, and skilfully conducted. It is not too much to hay that this is the finest opera company that was ever taken on the road in the United States, and that it does not suffer in comparison with the best of the endowed operas here and abroad.

The seating capacity of the house should be taxed at both performances. The people of Arisona, New Mexico, and Texas within hundreds of miles will do, well to take advantage of this unique opportunity to see and hear grand opera such as can usually be

heard only in a few great metropolitan centers.

For the El Paso program, the selections are ideal. The two operas, Butterfly and Pagliacci, are highly dramatic, and brilliant in a musical way; the two ballets, Snowflakes and Coppelia, are the best in the repertory. Snowflakes is set to the music of Tschalkowski's famous "Nutcracker" suite, often heard in symphony concerts, while the music of Delibes to Coppella is also world famous. The ballets are themselves little plays, in pantomime, dainty and beautiful,

with many odd and fascinating novelties.

The two performances will be intensely interesting to everyone so fortunate as to hear and see them.

What Did the Verdun Fight Mean?

Sudden cessation of the ferocious German attack on the forts around Verdun may be due to the tardy discovery that, as the French now frankly assert, the forts have all been dismantled, the garrisons, guns, munitions, and provisions removed. But it seems queer that the Germans should undertake such a tremendous and costly movement without thorough advance study of the situation, and, in view of the highly efficient organization of the Germans for war, it is altogether probable that they knew what they were about in this

The French assert that last fall they applied the lessons of this war and abandoned their great forts once deemed impregnable; that the men and guns and munitions were put to use in trench warfare, or carried back to the reserve lines. The French believe their trench lines impossible to force, over any long distance or for any considerable depth, while they admit that no line can completely withcland modern artillery attack, and must yield here and there, temporarily. It is said by the military expert of the London Times that Gen. Joffre, the French commander, has not drawn upon his principal reserves to meet this Verdun attack, but has relied upon keeping just enough men in action to maintain the lines against a serious German in-

Assuming that the Germans have been acting upon a well defined plan, it may be guessed that they have ulterior plans that they sought to cover by this attack at Verdun. But if the Germans could force back the great French salient in the Verdun angle, such a movement would result in shortening and straightening German lines on that frontier, and it would also put into German hands another large and rich portion of enemy territory.

of enemy territory.

Whatever the plan, it now appears certain that the attempt at Verdun has failed for the time being. If it was a feint, the main attack has not yet taken place.

If it was a serious movement, it did not succeed.

A Bad Treaty Doomed

By the firm resistance of some Democrats and nearly all Republicans in the senate, the infamous treaty with Colombia, by which it was proposed to pay that country \$15,000,000 for Panama and "express regrets," has been doomed. Fortunately for the good name and self respect of the United States, that particular mistake has been avoided, in spite of the efforts of the administration to push the treaty through.

The United States committed no act in reference Panama or Colombia, in connection with the canal rightofway, that it should not be proud of. Our acts in that matter will bear the scrutiny of history, and the only country that has anything to be ashamed of in commection with it is Colombia, which tried a bold and unscrupulous holdup game and failed to make

It is to be hoped that with the failure of this disgraceful treaty, we shall have heard the last of this sodiish talk of "paying" Colombia for Panama or apologizing. Panama revolted and formed a republic. The United States recognized the new government, and later bought a canal rightofway and paid cash for it. This followed years of negotiation with Colombia, during which the Colombian government and Colombian congress violated every rule of honesty, decency, and international comity. Colombia thought she could block the course of civilization and also rob the United States treasury with impunity, and she found out her mistake

Every fact that has been brought out since that time in connection with Colombia's part in the mess only serves to prove with added emphasis that the United States did the right thing in the right way, and that Colombia has nothing coming from us, either money

Now they have motor bobsieds, but they are not much good in El Paso,

Education Not All In School

It is not only the public school that is educating youngster. No use putting everything off on the the youngster. No use putting everything off on the schoolma'am. The parents are setting him a model of talk and behavior, the church ought to be telling him truths to satisfy his 20th century inquiries, the furne

truths to satisfy his 20th century inquiries, the furny papers are filling him up with strange ideas of men and women and right and wrong.

For a corrective, prescribe plenty of hero tales, poetry, good music; knowledge of outofdoors, hirds and rocks, flowers and trees, rain, frost, dew, and skies, animals and industry; and continual good manners and high ideals, morning, noon, and night, breakinst, luncheon, dinner, supper, and between times.

The seismographs at Washington recorded a heavy earthquake fasting a little more than an hour, but as nothing was heard of it in the news, it must have been out at sea, at the pottom of the ocean, somewhere 5000 miles away from the Washington observatory, so that only the fishes and corals and whales and deal men's bones and lost ships and the sensitive little recorder at Washington felt it.

A New York chemist, besides inventing an artificial tube case for sausages, makes a durable paper for the benefit of lawyers and others who want a paper that will not crumble to dust in one generation. Wuztever man thinks, he can think out and make. We only need the need, to have it filled by the ingenuity of men.

There is much talk of acquiring efficiency, but after all any high degree of efficiency is genius, whether it be genius for harp playing or genius, in getting the most brick laid in the straightest, strongest way in a

It is really more important that El Paso thoroughly train and economically use the people she has, than devote too much effert proportionately to a mere in-

Short Snatches From Everywhere.

An American abroad reports that Exppt is as quiet as Kansas, which only confirms the fear that something awful may start there any minute.—Philadelphia North American.

The report that Carranza will establish a banking plan similar to our federal reserve system is probably premature. It takes some capital to start even a gov-eroment bank.—Calveston News.

These border battles between officers and outlaws are very bad for the state. First thing anybody knows we will be in the same class with New York and Chicago.—Albuquerque Journal.

All northern Mexico seethes with disorder and violence with Gen. Villa rampant and unsubdued. We watch and wait while the killings and robberies go on.—Racine (Wis.) Journal-News.

Hinstrating the fact that conditions have changed impidly the past few years the battleship Oregon, once the pride of the American navy, has been put on the retired list.—Tulas (Okla.) Democrat.

Curtis Crim of this city was arraigned in the Alexandria police court resterday on charges of in-toxication after he had been picked up in a reluctant condition—Anderson (Ind.) Bulletin. A writer computes that To tone of miselles are needed to put one German out of action. Itsillustrates the paradox that as weapons are improved they be-come less deadly.—Itaiway Age-Gazette.

"We reflect our table habits in our faces; we look like what we eat," says an authority on dieterics. Now some men will go about town claiming that their red noses are due to their fondness for strawberries.—New Orleans States.

The supreme court of the United States has decided that Minnesota can tax membership in stock exchanges. Any tramp could have seen that board seats are "tangible property"; which was the only question at issue—Brooklyn Eagle.

European war has developed a crop of over-night-millionaires. For each individual in this array, untoid thousands of med have forfeited their lives, and their bodies he rotting in trenches. In the wealth worth the price! Is this "tainted" mioney, and if not, why not"—Amarilio (Texas) News.

Ambition Is Slow Malady That Attacks In Head It Lets Go Only When The Votes Are Counted

MHITION is a slow, relentless malady which attacks people in the head and feet and never lets go until the votes are counted. This disease is responsible for more blighted hopes than the counterfeit corn eradicator, which starts out full of promise and winds up with a heavily increased nereage.

Ninety-nine times out of a hundred ambition is caused by the office-hunting microbe, which has wrecked so many happy homes and flourishing law practices. This microbe began to de business in this country immediately after George Washington refused a third torm in the presidential office. Washington was the only officeholder of whom we have any record who was immune to the insidious pica of this microbe. When it approached him he spurned it with much indignation and his left foot, preferring to retires to his farm at Mt. Vernon and thus escape the clanior of the postoffice petition. Mr. Washington set a holie example for posterity, but posterity method is to happ on until sinker bloose by the ley finger of death or ing microbe, which has wrecked so

Nauman Motor Sales Company Sued By Girls In-

jured in Fort Bliss Bus. The two daughters of Sergt, Eugene

G. Shorberg, of the 15th cavalry, now stationed in the Philippines, through

their father have instituted suit in the United States court against the Nau-

man Motor Sales company, composed

of E. G. Perry, J. W. Kirkpatrick and



roken, asks for damages in the amount of \$4000.

POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS SHOW

Bus Hit By Auto. The two school girls were living at Fort Bline when the accident occurred and later moved into El Paso with their mether after Sergt. Shouhers went with his command to the Philippines. Hiding with them in the bus at the time were ten other children, most of whom suffered various bruises and hurts. The car which Mrs. Woods was driving at the time was out on a demonstration and with her in the machine was Reger Stuart. Action was brought in the federal court as Sergt Shonberg is a resident of California.

\$4426.28 INCREASE FOR MONTH February showed a marked increase in postal receipts over the same period for 1916. The February, 1916, record was \$21,278.68 as compared with \$16,-841.86 for February 1915, or an increase of \$4428.28.

Art Woods, for personal injuries sus-tailed on the afternoon of September 14, 1915, when ar automobile owned by the Nauman Motor Sales company and driven by Mrs. Woods, collided with a bus full of Lamar school chil-dren returning to Fort Bles. Myr-tle Shonberg, who met with many outs

ABE MARTIN



V. W. C. A. Postpones Celebration Because of Missionary Convention.

Celebration of the frilleth anniversary of the organization of the Young Women's Christian association, an Sunday next, has been postponed by the El Paso association, an Sunday next, has been postponed by the El Paso association because of the opening of the convention of the large were for the entry are being urged to register. It is not the matter of the envertions are when carried the mister of young plants will be addressed by some of the speakers coming here for the men's convention.

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War Has Increased The Cost Of Carbolic Acid Indelible Pencils, Hay And Nails Also Higher

take in selecting concrete for the upper valley road."

"Strict watch will be kept in the future for all persons who attempt to take away tulips from the beds in Sam Houston park, where they were recently planted, said Henry M. Walker, city park inspector. "During the past few days there has been 49 of the small plants, which are just beginning to bloom, dug up with knives and shovels and removed. One Mexican woman was ordered to leave the park recently, after she had dug up quite a number of young plants."

"The sand blows down from Deming on one day, and the next it blows back sgain, and vice versa in my opinion," said Jack Breeding, "This is the only way I can figure our where so much sand comes from, as there is no doubt several tons blow into El Paso every day in which a windstorm occurs. One day the wind comes from the west and a great deal of sand comes along with

upon the body, asks for damages in detectives following advices received, self with the movement and register A. Dick, E. A. Shelton, east of Oregon I. J. Kaster and A. C. McKee, gasothe amount of \$15,000, while Ennma from Hachita, N. M., where knapp is for the benefits of the meetits of the meetits. Stanton, and south of Mills to Tax.

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PASO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. A. A. Davis, the new paster of the East El Paso Presbyterian church, has arrived to take charge of the church activities and will-prench his first sermon Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Davis came here from Pecos. Texas, following a call to the East El Paso church, which has had no pastor since Rev. Kenneth Brown went to California.

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The new El Paso minister is a graduate of Trinity college and of the Union
Theological seminary, of New York. He
was pastor of the Adams Memorial Mission church, in New York. Mrs. Davis
is the daughter of Dr. Prendargast, a
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WEST YSLETA CLUB WILL BE

Such good progress is being made in the construction of the additions to the West Valeta clubbouse that W. G. Jolly, of the firm of Jolly & Morris, contractors, stated Thursday that the new ball room would be ready for next Thursday's dance. The other work will not be completed at this time, however, Mr. Jolly stated.

PECOS BAR ASSOCIATION MAY MEET IN SHERMAN J. L. Dyer, president of the Texas Bar association, has returned from San An-tonio, where he attended the meeting of the board of directors of the asso-

Sherman was considered as the next meeting place of the association al-though no definite decision was reached.

Two conclusions may be reached, it is said, as a result of the decision of the supreme court in the dam case. The Elephant Butte dam project will not be carried out, while the international dam may be built. One person who has been prominently associated with the Elephant Butie dam project, stated that from now on it was a dead thing.

14 YEARS Ago Today

Conselerate Veterans.

Mrs. W. H. Shelton and children returned to their home last Monday after having spent several modens in Mississippt visiting friends.

Mrs. T. A. Falvey, assisted by fer daughter, Miss Falvey, gave an informal ten this afternoon at her home on Boulevard to her many friends.

J. A. Spellicy, city passenger and licket agent of the Southern Pacific railway, who has been seriously ill with phenmonia, is expected to be out within a few days.

The journeymen barbers of this city will hold a meeting tomorrow for the purpose of organizing, Organizer Patterson, of Benson, Ariz, is expected to arrive in the city within a short time.

The El Paso tent of Maccabees is making extensive preparations for the entertainment of visitors during the Knights Templar conclave in this city. The local lodge has ordered some new paraphernalia.

Contractor Russell asked the heard to

STOLEN FROM WATERWORKS
The city has recovered 1027 pounds of meter box covers, valve boxes and sewer box frames that have disappeared from time to time for several weeks past.

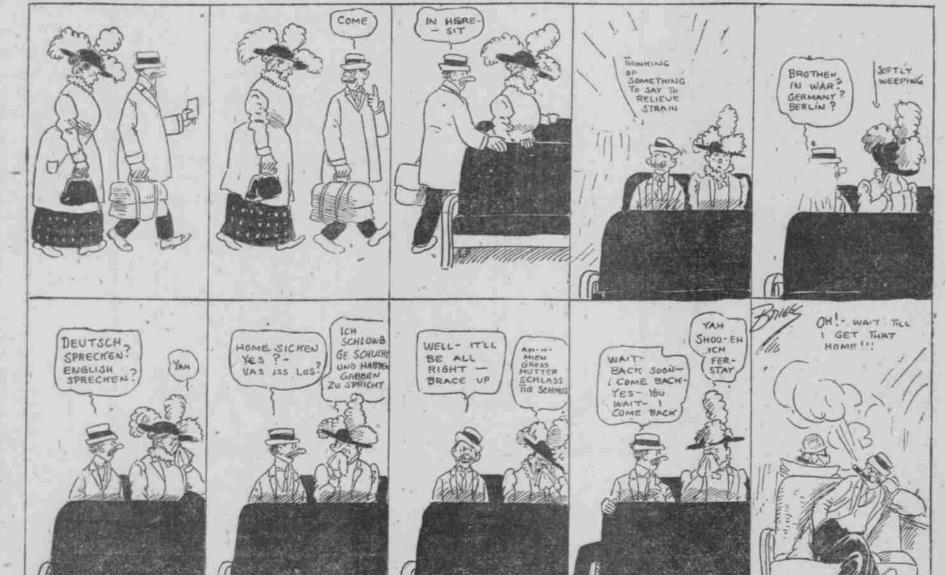
Some of the articles were located at a lunk shop on Alameda avenue and some at an overland street junk shop.

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Contractor Russell asked the board to take up the matter of building cement building, at a meeting of the school trusteed last night at the city hall. Prof.

G. P. Putnam reported that the new school was in full running at present and the pupils had been distributed.

Ever Take a Servant Girl Home On the Train? You Haven't Missed Much



Moods

CANNOT write a pome today, I am not in the mood," I heard a long-haired CANNOT write a pome today, I am not in the mood," I heard a long-haired poet say, a poet short of food. "Unless the inspiration comes, I can produce no spiel; I sit here twiddling of my thumbs, and longing for a meal. And oft I feel privation's lash upon my person fall; O, for a place of combeet hash, O, for a codfish ball!" "I can't afford such things as moods," the short-haired poet said; "and I must write the platitudes that lester in my head. Perhaps my song is not inspired, perhaps it's lacking Art, perchance it makes the highbrow tired, and breaks the purist's heart; but all the merchants in the grad are pleased to get my trade; they know that when I owe a stad, that scad is promptly paid. Each day I buckle down to work, regardless of my mood, justil like a tinsmith or a clerk with earnest scal imbored; and then, until my muscless. like a tinsmith or a clerk, with earnest real imboed; and then, until my muscles tire, throughout my eight-hour day, I punch the stuffing from my lyre, and make that punching pay. Should I for inspiration wait, I could not turn the trick: I could not keep my credit straight, or get my meals on tick."

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